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Applicant : Lu-Yieng Liu et al

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Examiner : Jehanne E. Souaya

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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated August 30, 2004, be extended for one month to and including December 30, 2004.

Enclosed is a check for \$120 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing attorney docket 12674-005001.

Respectfully submitted,



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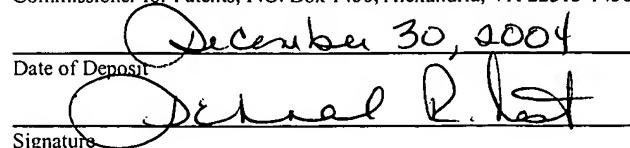
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